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IN RE APPLICATION OF: :
HIROYUKI IMAI, ET AL. : GROUP ART UNIT: 1745
SERIAL NO.: 09/783,518 :
FILED: FEBRUARY 21, 2001 : EXAMINER: TSANG FOSTER, S.
FOR: COLLECTOR FOR ALKALINE
SECONDARY BATTERY, METHOD
FOR MAKING THE SAME, AND
ALKALINE SECONDARY BATTERY
USING THE SAME

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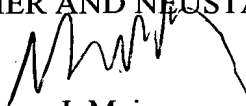
The undersigned hereby declares that the amendatory material being inserted between pages 21 and 22 of the specification, by the amendment being submitted herewith, consists of the same material which was incorporated by reference from Japanese application 2000-043017, filed on February 21, 2000, and Japanese application 2001-002728, filed on January 10, 2001. Copies of the above-referenced Japanese applications have already been submitted on July 3, 2001.

The undersigned further hereby declares that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to true; and further that the statements were made with knowledge that willful and false

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